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For: DRIVE ASSEMBLY FOR DRIVING A ROTARY MEMBER, IN PARTICULAR  
A COMBUSTION ENGINE WATER PUMP SHAFT

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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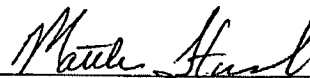
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Sir:

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- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application, OR (c) accompanies a Request for Continued Examination. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. A copy of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 3. A copy of the U.S. patents and/or US patent publications are not provided because this application has been filed under 35 USC § 371 after June 30, 2003. See 37 CFR 1.491(b).

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